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SUBJECT: COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO: CHILE

REF: A) STATE 203061, B) USUN 2728, C) USUN 2763

1. EMBOFF CALLED ON DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ENRIQUE GUZMAN AUGUST 30 AND MADE LOW-KEY APPROACH SET FORTH IN REF (A). GUZMAN HAD APPARENTLY SPENT MUCH OF THE MORNING ON THE C-24 PUERTO RICO ISSUE AND WAS IN RECEIPT OF CABLES FROM CHILE'S UN MISSION.

2. GUZMAN DOES NOT THINK VOTE ON THE CUBAN RESOLUTION IS LIKELY. CHILE PREFERS AND WILL SUPPORT CONSENSUS STATEMENT ALONG LINES OF LAST YEAR'S. HOWEVER, SHOULD THE CUBAN RESOLUTION COME TO A VOTE THE PRESENT FONOFF POSITION (AND APPARENTLY ALSO OF CHILE'S MISSION TO THE UN) IS FOR CHILE TO ABSTAIN. GUZMAN EXPLAINED THIS IN TERMS OF CHILE'S UNCOMFORTABLE POSITION ON THE C-24 AND ITS PERCEIVED NEED NOT TO TAKE NEGATIVE STAND ON ISSUES WITH WIDE THIRD WORLD SUPPORT.

3. PARA 3 OF CUBAN RESOLUTION ALSO GIVES FONOFF
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HERE SOME CONCERN (REF B). WHEN GUZMAN WONDERED ALOUD WHETHER, IN THE EVENT OF A VOTE, CHILE COULD VOTE ONLY AGAINST THAT PORTION, EMBOFF POINTED OUT THAT US PROBLEMS RELATED TO ENTIRE RESOLUTION.

4. COMMENT: EXPLANATION FOR CANALES COYNESS (REF C), PARTIALLY REPLAYED BY GUZMAN TODAY, IS THAT CHILE

FINDS ITSELF ATTACKED FROM ALL QUARTERS IN UN, INCLUDING BY US, AND SEES LITTLE INCENTIVE TO ADHERE AUTOMATICALLY TO US POSITION ON ISSUES SUCH AS PUERTO RICO. GOC DOUBTLESS HOPES, AS DO WE, THAT CUBAN RESOLUTION WILL NOT COME TO A VOTE. SHOULD A VOTE APPEAR LIKELY WE SUSPECT THAT CHILE CAN BE PERSUADED TO VOTE AGAINST. HOWEVER, WE WILL NOT MAKE A MORE FORMAL DEMARCHE UNLESS SO INSTRUCTED.
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